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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) San Jose – SJPD Arrests 16 Suspects for Violent Carjacking, Robberies; Gang Related

(U) San Jose police, with the assistance of several other local agencies, arrested 16 people in a large-scale operation on 24 April, that targeted a violent criminal gang that investigators believe is responsible for a series of crimes. Several firearms were seized during the arrests, along with ammunition and stolen property, officers said. Police believe the group to be responsible for seven robberies, six carjackings, 10 burglaries, an assault with a deadly weapon and various other weapon offenses.

SOURCE: 30 April 2018, [SF Gate](#)

(U) San Diego – Calexico Drug Tunnel Operator Sentenced to 10 Years in Prison

(U) An Acapulco man who operated a 415-yard drug tunnel that ran from a house in Calexico, to Mexicali, Baja, Mexico, was sentenced in a San Diego courtroom to 10 years in prison yesterday. Manuel Gallegos-Jimenez, 48, is charged with conspiracy to distribute over 1,000 Kilograms of Marijuana, which he admitted to in court. When officers raided the operation in 2016, they seized \$1.2 million worth of marijuana and \$22 million worth of cocaine. The tunnel exit was found in March 2016 in the front room of the three-bedroom, 2-bath house. Agents found a hole in the floor covered with tile leading to a shaft descending underground. Inside, the tunnel had an elevator that could fit up to 10 people, ventilation and electricity. Gallegos-Jimenez oversaw the movement of the drugs from the tunnel and stored marijuana in another house three miles away.

SOURCE: 30 April 2018, [NBC San Diego](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) San Diego – Eight Caravan Members Admitted at San Ysidro Port of Entry

(U) Eight members of a group of Central American migrants seeking asylum in the United States were admitted last night into the San Ysidro Port of Entry, according to leaders of the Pueblo Sin Fronteras Caravan that brought them to the Tijuana-San Diego border. They were the first to be allowed through since a group of caravan members arrived at the border on 29 April. Word of their passage came as US Customs and Border Protection announced that it was again accepting asylum seekers and others without documents after a hiatus of close to 27 hours.

SOURCE: 30 April 2018, [The San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) New Jersey – Man Gets 10 Years for Assisting in Terror Plot

(U) Newark – A man who admitted discussing plans to explode bombs in Times Square and other New York locations received a 10-year prison sentence yesterday for conspiring with others, including his older brother, to support a terrorist organization. Nader Saadeh had faced a maximum of 15 years but received a lighter sentence because his cooperation helped the government prosecute four other men,

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including his older brother, Alaa. One of the others, former New York resident Munther Omar Saleh, was making plans to detonate bombs in Times Square and at the World Trade Center and the Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology in Queens, Assistant US Attorney Dennis Carletta said in court. SOURCE: 1 May 2018, [NBC 10](#)

(U) North Dakota – California Man Sentenced for Sex and Drug Trafficking

(U) Bismarck – A California man has been sentenced in federal court in North Dakota to more than six years in prison on sex trafficking and drug trafficking charges. Authorities say 35-year-old Montay Knight, of Indio, California, came to North Dakota early last year to sell drugs, and also instructed a woman to come from California to Bismarck for the purpose of prostitution. He was arrested when the woman called police from her hotel room to report that Knight had assaulted and threatened her. Police also seized \$4,000 in cash. US Attorney Chris Myers says Knight was recently sentenced to six years and seven months in federal prison, to be followed by five years of supervised release.

SOURCE: 01 May 2018, [Associated Press](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) Afghanistan – Nine Killed in Double Suicide Bombings in Afghan Capital**

(U) Kabul – At least nine people were killed and half a dozen wounded in a double suicide bombing in Afghanistan's capital, Kabul. It appeared that journalists were intentionally targeted by the bomber who hid amongst members of the media who rushed to cover the first explosion. Yesterday's bombing by the Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) were the deadliest attacks targeting reporters since the fall of the Taliban in 2001, according to Reporters Without Borders. Afghan President Ashraf Ghani said in a statement that attacks targeting innocent civilians, worshippers inside mosques, national and democratic processes, reporters and freedom of speech all are war crimes.

SOURCE: 30 April 2018, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Denmark – Three Arrested Suspected of Preparing An Act of Terror

(U) Copenhagen – Three people suspected of preparing an act of terror were arrested yesterday in Stockholm's northern suburbs, with officials saying the case has international links. Sweden's domestic intelligence agency SAPO says the three were arrested for terror-related activities in several locations in greater Stockholm. SAPO said they had been on the agency's radar for a while. The agency says several other people have been brought in for questioning. Intelligence agency spokeswoman Nina Odermalm Schei said that the case "has international links but we can't say which countries we are talking about."

SOURCE: 30 April 2018, [Associated Press](#)

(U) France – 350 Victims Rescued in Caribbean and Latin American Human Trafficking Operation

(U) Lyon – The Interpol-coordinated Operation, "Libertad," saved men, women and children trafficked abroad and forced into work. Victims were found working in night clubs, factories, markets, farms and mines. Some worked in spaces "no bigger than coffins," said Cem Kolcu of Interpol's human trafficking unit. Officers arrested 22 people and seized cash, mobile phones and computers. The coordinated raids were the result of a two-and-a-half year project funded by the Canadian government, which also trained specialist officers for the team. Police throughout the Caribbean were involved, including on the Dutch islands of Aruba and Curacao and the UK's Turks and Caicos Islands, as well as in Brazil and Venezuela.

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